USDA-ARS Small Fruit Breeding Program PI: Chad Finn, HCRL, Corvallis



New Cultivars Released in Past 5 Years are Having a Major Impact!



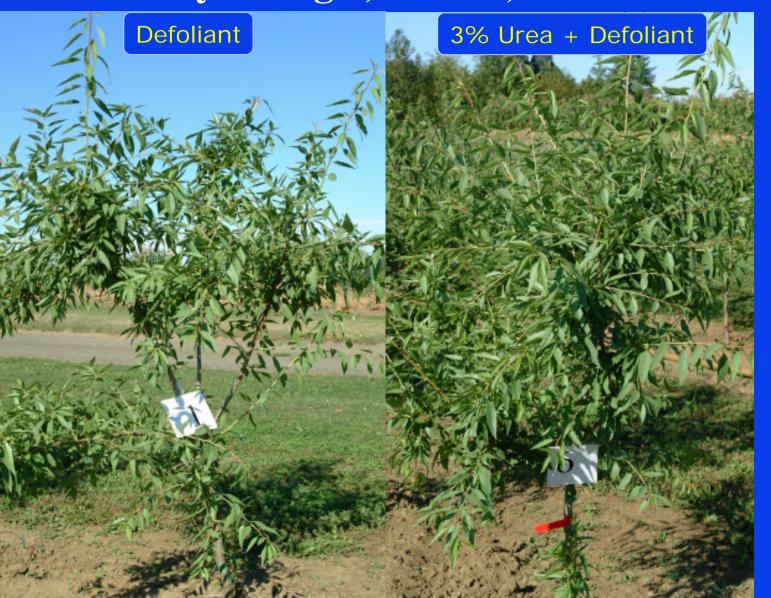
Small Fruit Horticulturist PI: David Bryla, HCRL, Corvallis





Plant Physiology – Nursery Crops PI: Carolyn Scagel, HCRL, Corvallis





Using foliar fertilization to increase transplant performance of bareroot nursery stock

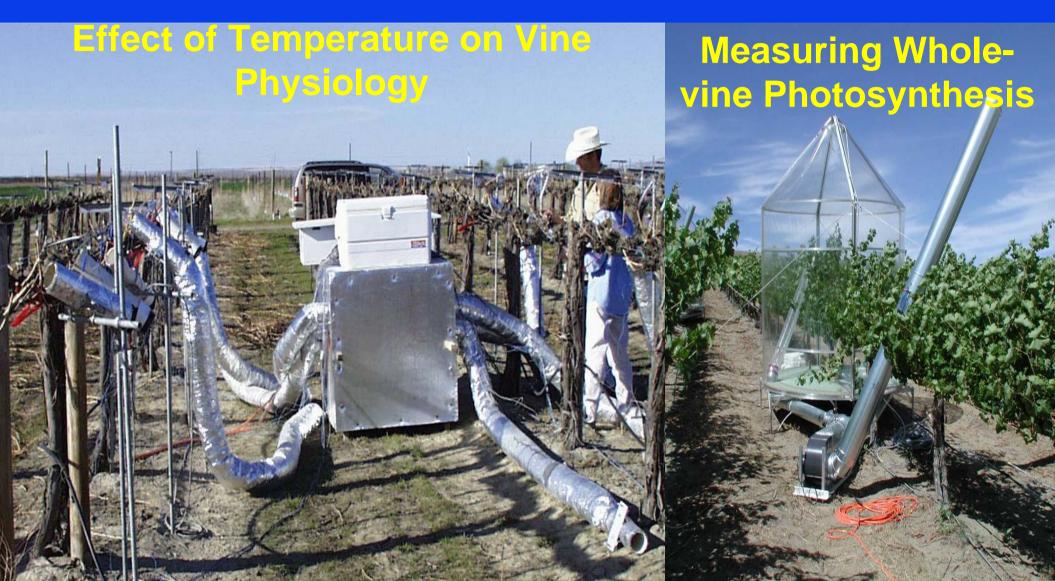
Root Physiology, Grapevines and Small Fruits PI: Paul Schreiner, HCRL, Corvallis, OR



This research focuses is on the nutritional requirements of grapevines and the factors that control root and mycorrhiza function (growth, nutrient and water uptake, nutrient storage) in small fruit production systems.



Grape Horiculturist PI: Julie Tarara, HCRL, Prosser, WA



Grape Horticulturist PI: Krista Shellie, HCRL, Parma, ID



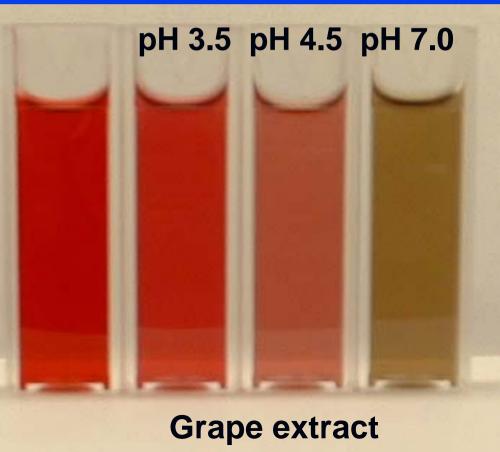


Food Technology – Factors in wine quality PI: Jungmin Lee, HCRL, Parma, ID



This is a new research program with the goal is to identify and apply factors that improve the color, aroma, and flavor of wine, from the starting material to the end product.

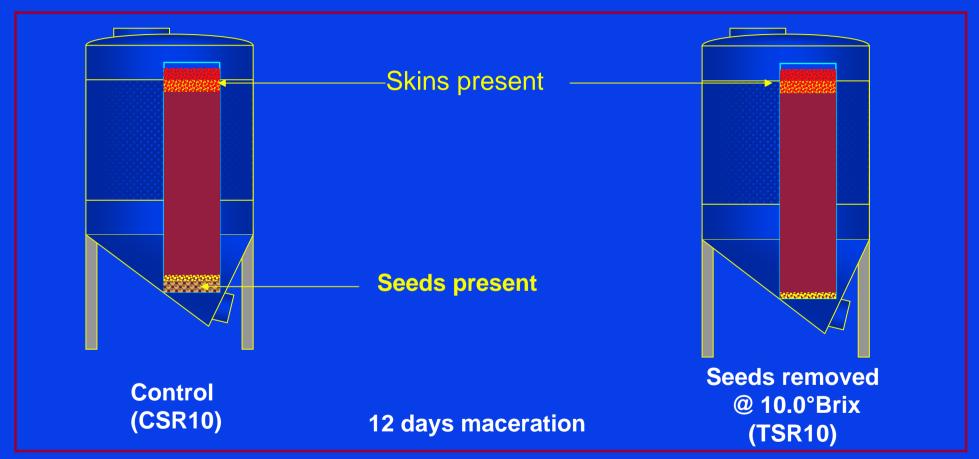






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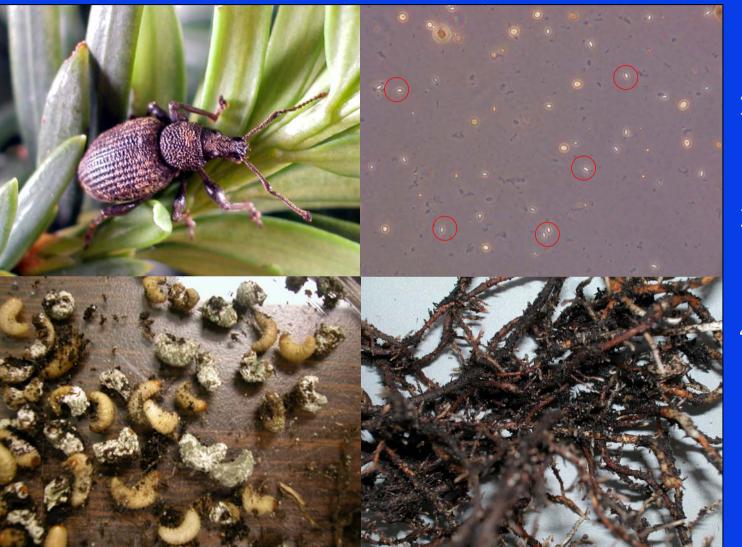
Seed removal at different stages of fermentation- Merlot





Nursery Crops Entomology, PI: Denny Bruck, HCRL, Corvallis

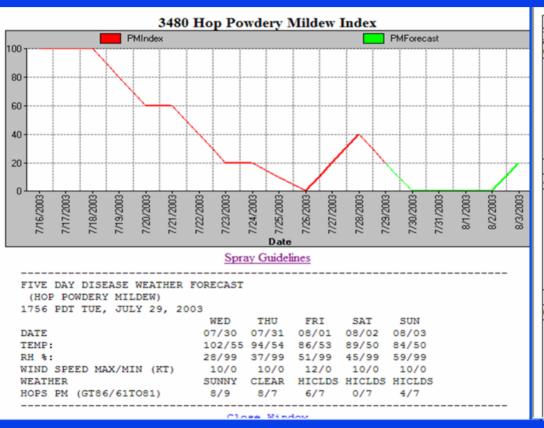




- 1. Adult Black Vine Weevil (BVW)
- 2. New Species of Microsporidian Parasite of BVW
- 3. BVW Larvae infected with Metarhizium
- 4. Metarhizium isolate that colonizes spruce roots and efficiently infects BVW larvae.

Infection Risk Model - Hop Powdery Mildew PI: Walt Mahaffee, HCRL, Corvallis





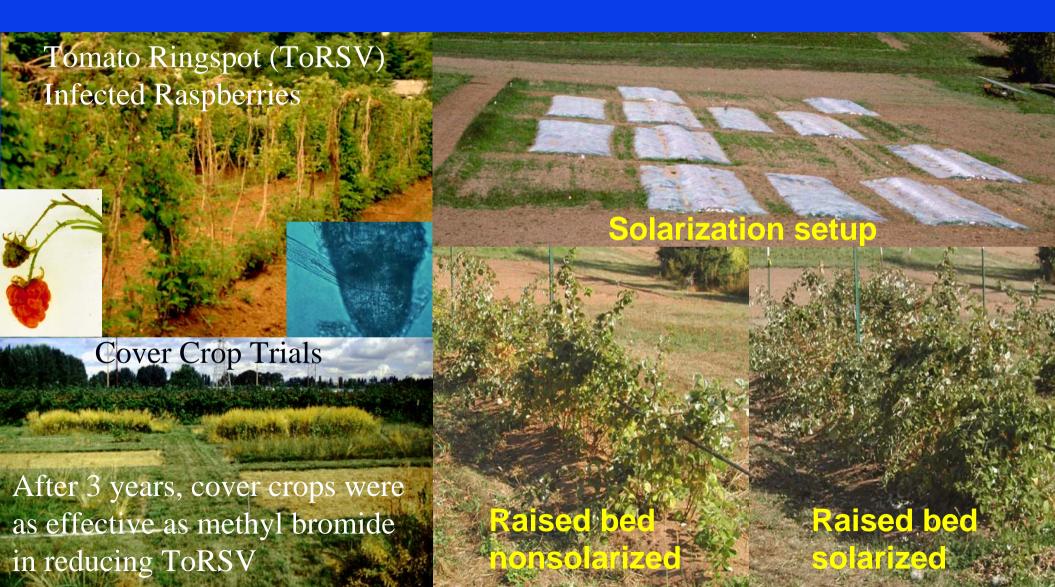
Guidelines for treatment timing based infection risk index							
Mildew Index	Pressure Pressure	Spray Interval	Spray Material				
60 - 100	HIGH	7 days	sulfur dust, bicarbonates, oils				
		10 days	micronized sulfur,				
		14 days	DMI fungicides*,				
		14 days	Strobilurin fungicides				
		See Label	Biologicals				
40 - 50	MODERATE	10 days	sulfur dust, bicarbonates, oils				
		14 days	micronized sulfur,				
		16 days	DMI fungicides*,				
		16 days	Strobilurin fungicides				
		See Label	Biologicals				
0 - 30	LOW	14 days**	sulfur dust, bicarbonates, oils				
		18 days**	micronized sulfur,				
		18 days**	DMI fungicides*,				
		18 days**	Strobilurin fungicides				
		See label	Biologicals				

Forecast Accuracy

Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	
75%	68%	61%	58%	54%	

Nematology Program PI: John Pinkerton, HCRL, Corvallis



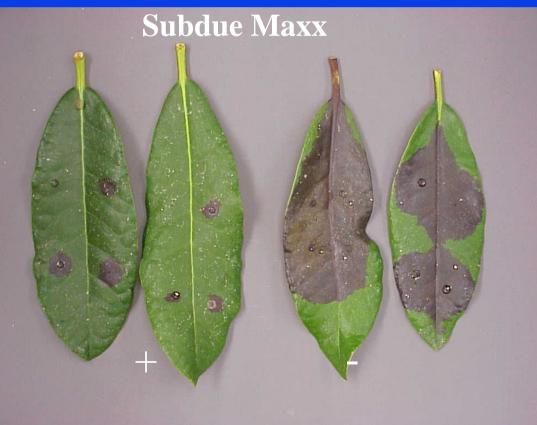


Biology and Control Soil-Borne Pathogens PI: Robert Linderman, HCRL, Corvallis





Control of *Phytophthora* ramorum on Rhododendron



Genetics of the Sudden Oak Death Pathogen PI: Nik Grunwald, HCRL, Corvallis

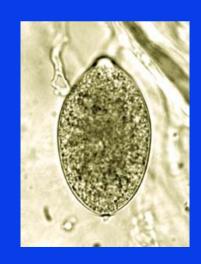


- We found 2,128 and 1,000 microsatellite loci in *P*. sojae and *P*. ramorum, respectively
- Density of SSRs (bp per Mb) in *P. sojae* is about 1.5 times that of *P. ramorum*.
- Microsatellite loci are most useful molecular markers currently used to track spread of SOD and to understand the evolution and genetics of the genus *Phytophthora*



P. ramorum on rhododendron

Asexual reproductive structure of *P. ramorum*



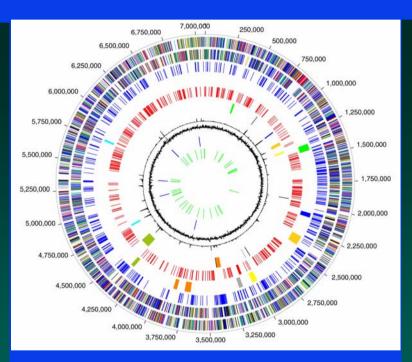
Molecular Analysis of Biological Control of Plant Disease PI: Joyce Loper, HCRL, Corvallis



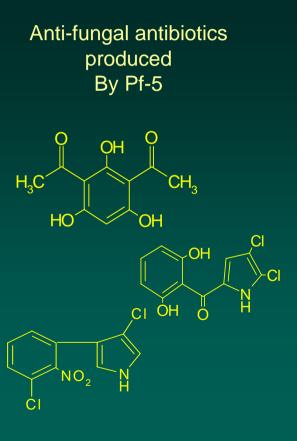
Pseudomonas fluorescens Pf-5 suppresses soilborne plant pathogens



Untreated seeds Seeds treated with Pf-5



Pf-5 is the first biological control agent for plant disease whose genomic sequence is known



Small Fruit Virology Program PI: Robert Martin, HCRL, Corvallis



